

**Cooperative Sports Team Agreement  
Between**

New Berlin Community Unit School District, New Berlin, Illinois  
Auburn Community Unit School District, Auburn, Illinois  
Franklin Community Unit School District, Franklin, Illinois

Introduction

This agreement is made by and between the Board of Education of New Berlin Community Unit School District No. 16, Board of Education of Franklin Community Unit District No. 1 and the Board of Education of Auburn Community Unit School District No. 10.

The purpose of this agreement is to expand equal athletic opportunities in the area of wrestling for New Berlin, Franklin and Auburn High School students.

Auburn will serve as the administrative and host district and will assume responsibility for operating and administering the sports program.

This agreement will be for the 2022-2023 school years, with approval of the I.H.S.A. by Oct. 1, 2022. This program will be renewable by mutual agreement between the Boards of Education of the school districts, and the I.H.S.A.

Modification of this agreement can be made at any time with the consent of all parties, including the I.H.S.A.

Notice of non-renewal of this contract will be given by Oct. 1, 2023.

Transportation

Franklin and New Berlin will be responsible for arranging transportation for their students to practice sessions and home meets.

Students of New Berlin and Franklin are subject to coaches' rules while at Auburn and while being transported to and from Auburn.

Transportation to away games will be the responsibility of the administrative district and will originate from Auburn High School or Auburn Jr. High in Divernon

Away match transportation will originate and end at Auburn High School unless it is convenient to stop in the New Berlin and Franklin School Districts and / or unless extenuating circumstances arise when Auburn should transport players back to Franklin and New Berlin. Participants wishing to make other arrangements must submit a written parental request to their principal for approval prior to the contest.

### Financial Arrangement

The head coaching stipend will be provided by Auburn.

The administrative district shall be responsible for the employment of coaching staff. All participants shall be required to pay the participation fees, and other deposits currently in effect at Auburn. Auburn will bill New Berlin and Franklin for the participation fees (\$100.00 per participant) Franklin and New Berlin will only be responsible for transportation cost involved with getting students to and from practice and home matches. Franklin and New Berlin will only pay for away meet transportation to Auburn, unless Auburn picks up New Berlin on the way to a meet.

### Supervision

All home meets will be held in Auburn. Auburn will be responsible for providing the needed supervision.

All schools will be responsible for the enforcement of student discipline.

### Liability

Liability for all students utilizing transportation shall be with the transporting school.

Premises liability shall be borne by the district in which the activity takes place.

Each district will provide, for the other, written proof of liability insurance as it pertains to students participating in the cooperative sport. Auburn assumes the responsibility for the operation and administration of the athletic program.

### Eligibility

Scholastic eligibility will be determined by an individual's home school.

The Athletic Director of New Berlin and Franklin, or his / her designee, will e-mail weekly eligibility reports to the Athletic Director of Auburn each Thursday of the game season.

All athletes will receive a copy of the administrative district's athletic participation code and will be subject to it. This code may include, but is no limited to, rules for the care and return of equipment utilized. New Berlin agrees to assist in the enforcement of such rules.

### Insurance

All participants will be required to have proof of insurance or insurance waiver on file with their school district.

Physicals

Copies of the mandatory physicals shall be on file in the office of their respective school districts prior to the athletes participating in practice.

Awards

Athletes shall be awarded letters representing their home school or host school.

The criteria for determining awards will be made by the coaching staff.

All team trophies acquired by the cooperative team will become the property of Auburn. Franklin and New Berlin will reserve the right to purchase, at its own expense, a duplicate trophy.

Other

This agreement will be reviewed by the administration of each school during the 2022-2023 school year.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022

Auburn School District No. 10

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
President, Board of Education

New Berlin School District No. 16

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
President, Board of Education

Franklin School District No. 1

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
President, Board of Education



# Application for Cooperative Team Sponsorship

For New Cooperative Teams Only

## Deadlines for submission of applications:

Aug. 1=Fall sports/activities; Oct. 1=Winter sports/activities; Feb. 1=Spring sports/activities

A separate application **MUST** be completed and submitted for each boys' athletic team, each girls' athletic team, and each activity.

For criteria under which cooperative teams may be formed, refer to Section 2.030 of the By-laws and Section 26 of the Administrative Procedures, Guidelines and Policies Section in the IHSA Handbook with Illustrations.

1. This application is for cooperative sponsorship of a team for the two-year classification cycle covering 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 school years.  
Boys (Specify Gender of Team)      Wrestling (Sport/Activity)      Sangamo (Cooperative Team Conference)

- 2. This application must include the following:
- letters from the presidents of ALL conferences of which each school in this cooperative are members for ANY sport/activity, certifying that this cooperative team has been approved by the conferences
- a letter from the president of the conference of which this cooperative team will be a member during the co-op, certifying that this cooperative team has been approved for participation in the conference. If this cooperative team will not participate in a conference, attach letters approving the cooperative team from seven (7) schools on its upcoming schedule.
- a signed copy of the intergovernmental agreement of this cooperative team, formally adopted by the boards of education of the participating schools for the school terms listed above, detailing your agreement in respect to insurance, coaching personnel and compensation, liability, facilities, equipment, etc. it must indicate that procedures are established for checking on student eligibility and complying with all IHSA By-Laws. Local policies which will be implemented in respect to training rules, academic standards, etc., must be agreed upon. (Copy of the intergovernmental agreement must accompany each request.)

Table with 4 columns: NAME OF SCHOOLS, CITY, ALL CONFERENCE AFFILIATIONS OF EACH SCHOOL IN COOPERATIVE, ENROLLMENT. Rows include Auburn, New Berlin, Franklin, Sangamo, and MSM.

4. The following rationale underlies our desire for cooperative team sponsorship:
To give other student athletes in New Berlin and Franklin the opportunity to wrestle.

Table with 3 columns: SCHOOL, NO. OF STUDENTS WHO PARTICIPATED IN PREVIOUS YEAR, NO. OF STUDENTS EXPECTED TO PARTICIPATION CO-OP. Rows include Auburn and New Berlin.

6. Host school: Auburn      Contact person: Dave Bates
Team school name: Auburn      Team nickname: Trojans
Practices to be held at: Auburn      Home contests to be held at: Auburn

7. The following signatures certify that formation of this cooperative team will not reduce participation opportunities for students in any of the cooperating schools and has been approved by formal vote of the boards of education and administrations of all schools in the cooperative.
SCHOOLS      BOARD PRESIDENTS' SIGNATURES      PRINCIPALS' SIGNATURES
Auburn
New Berlin
Franklin

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### Official IHSA Action

The above application for cooperative team sponsorship IS IS NOT granted for the 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 classification cycle.
(Date)      Authorized IHSA Administrator